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IDENTIFIED USING THE SAME  
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed November 6, 2006, setting a one-month period for reply. As this paper is being filed within the period for reply, it is believed that no fees are due by entry of this paper. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit any overpayment in such fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.